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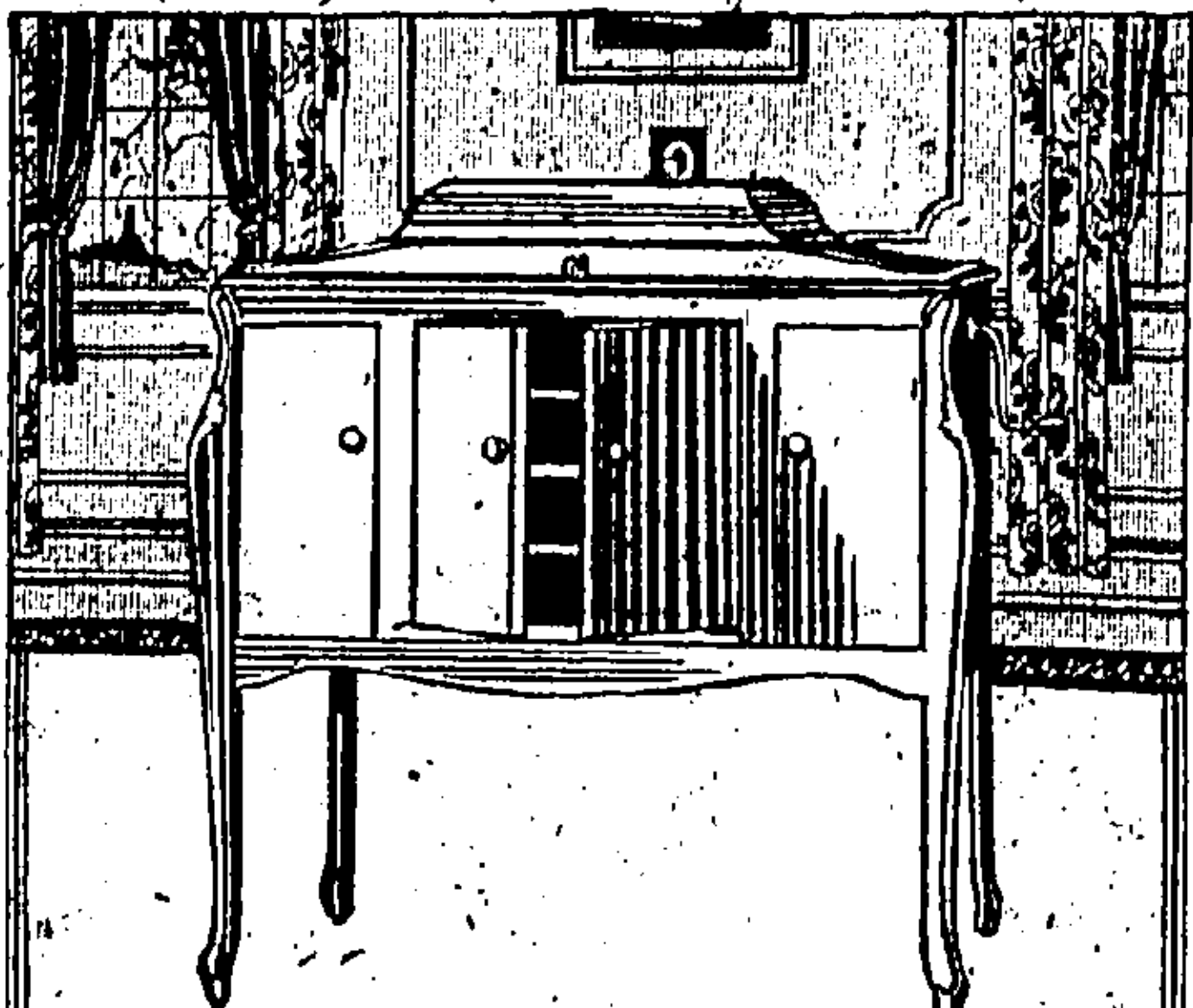
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## TO-DAY'S CABLES.

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### THE DOLLAR.

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### SMUGGLED DRUGS.

#### SEQUEL TO HONGKONG SEIZURE.

#### HARDWARE MERCHANT JAILLED.

LONDON, March 15.

A hardware merchant, Howard Montague Fogden Humphrey, was fined £200 and sentenced to six months' imprisonment in the second division, the maximum penalty, at the Guildhall for unlawfully procuring morphine, heroin and cocaine for a company in Amoy, contrary to the Dangerous Drugs Regulations. The accused pleaded guilty. The prosecuting counsel stated that evidence leading to a conviction was secured when a Japanese named Hieu was arrested aboard the steamer "Mishima Maru" in Hongkong on October 11 last year with 2,400 ounces of morphine and 2,500 ounces of cocaine concealed in furniture.

[Cho Yu-kin, a Korean, was fined \$25,000 and sentenced to six months' jail by Mr. E.W. Hamilton at the local magistracy last October in connection with the seizure of \$28,000 worth of cocaine and morphine aboard the "Mishima Maru." The drugs were found packed in three cases of furniture shipped in London and were traced to the prisoner by means of the ship's manifests and other documents. Prisoner's counsel stated that Cho was a commission agent in Formosa and went to London last July to enquire into the medicine trade. The Superintendent of Imports and Exports said it was a record seizure and he could easily prove in evidence that the prisoner was the moving spirit in carrying out these transactions a long way back.

### IMPERIAL RELATIONS.

#### IMPORTANT NEW ASPECT.

MELBOURNE, MARCH 15.

The Federal Premier (Mr. Bruce) in a statement says that the action of Canada in concluding independently of Great Britain a treaty direct with the United States (about halibut fishing) has opened up a new and important aspect of imperial relationship the effects of which might be very far reaching. He further emphasised the need for an early imperial conference where the whole question of imperial relationships can be fully discussed.

### HOUSING AT HOME.

#### NEW SUBSIDY SCHEME.

LONDON, March 15.

In order to encourage the provision of working class houses the Minister of Health, conferring with the representatives of municipal corporations and associations, agreed to offer a subsidy of six pounds a house yearly for twenty years for a new non-parlour five-roomed houses. The municipal representatives agreed that this would enable building to be vigorously pressed forward.

### AUSTRALIA'S UNPEOPLED NORTH.

#### OIL AND COTTON PROSPECTS.

MELBOURNE, March 15.

Senator Pearce announced in the Senate that the Government were endeavouring to secure the services of world famous experts to report on the possibility of cotton-growing and developing oil fields in the Northern Territory.

### LAUSANNE TREATY.

#### TURKISH COUNTER-PROPOSALS EXPECTED.

LONDON, March 15.

France and Italy have agreed to the British suggestion to send experts to London to discuss the Turkish counter-proposals which are expected in London to-day or to-morrow with a view to a resumption of the Lausanne conference. It is expected that the experts will meet next week.

### BRITAIN PAYS UP.

WASHINGTON, March 15.

Britain has made the first payment under the debt-funding agreement amounting to \$4,128,000.

### COMPANY REPORT.

#### HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE

The report of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Coy., Ltd. for presentation to the shareholders at the fifty-fourth ordinary meeting to be held on March 27 states—

The General Managers and Committee have pleasure in submitting to the Shareholders the Fifty-fourth Annual Report of the Company. Working Account 1922. This Account shows a surplus of \$357,400.59.

Reserve Fund.—It is proposed to appropriate \$200,000.00 out of the profits of the year 1921 to the credit of this Fund. The Reserve will then stand at \$1,800,000.00.

Reinsurance Fund.—It is proposed to appropriate \$19,604.43, at exchange 2/3 1/2 = \$5,140.59, out of the profits of the year 1921 to the credit of this Fund. The Fund will then stand at \$1,759,997.10.

Dividend.—The General Managers and Consulting Committee have pleasure in recommending a dividend of 43s. per share, absorbing 1,858,000.00.

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### THE AIR AGE.

Britain finished the war with the finest air force in the world. To-day her military and her civil services are alike almost negligible. The Air Ministry estimates have shown that our defence force equals only one quarter of France's strength. Our commercial enterprise is still largely limited to one costly service with Paris. Compare this lethargy with the progress made in other countries. Air lines radiate from Paris, form a network over Germany, and link all America. Even Canada and Australia are fast leaving the Motherland behind. Seemingly the Air Ministry has now awakened, for yesterday's cables report that the estimates include a scheme for granting a £1,000,000 subsidy, spread over ten years, conditional upon private interests finding another £1,000,000 capital. The Ministry, furthermore, proposes in the coming year to advertise prizes of £50,000 for helicopter competitions and also to make a small grant to encourage gliding. This policy is good but it does not go far enough. Hitherto the Ministry has been content to help only companies operating across the Channel. It has ignored the possibilities, political and commercial of air lines in the Colonies administered from Home. Yet the Imperial aspect is perhaps the most important. Take only one example. Answering the question, "What value will air transport have for the nation?" Major-General Sir W. S. Brancker, Director of Civil Aviation, estimates that in carrying goods to India by air in one week instead of the time taken at present £100,000 would be saved every year in interest. That principle applies to many other commercial transactions. Once the money has been found, it will become possible to fly to India in six days, and perhaps within five years that time can be shortened to seventy-two

hours. With relay services from India to Malaya it would then only be a question of time until Hongkong was linked with the Home-land. Naturally the question arises: Will aircraft transport ever pay its way? Major-General Brancker is ready with his answer—"certainly." There are only two reasons, he says, why it does not pay to-day. The first is lack of traffic and the second is the comparatively high cost of maintenance. Technical improvements and developments can lower the mileage cost to 2s. 6d. or even 2s. a mile, to carry eight passengers at one hundred miles an hour, which will work out to 3d. per mile per passenger, a rate which compares very favourably with first-class railway fares. Granting financial assistance, the Air Ministry can greatly help to make these cheaper fares possible, and thus increase the volume of traffic. But before civil aviation can receive the general encouragement it ought to have, the public must cultivate what Lord Gorell, Under-Secretary for Air, describes as a "sense of ordinariness" in regard to flying. While it may be true, as one Home paper holds, that the average man will never be able to step into an aeroplane with as little thought of danger to his life as he feels when boarding a cross-Channel steamer, it is clearly evident that this "sense of ordinariness" is rapidly growing, and Lord Gorell's story of the lady who said to the pilot, landing at Harrogate, "Wait, please," is a very definite sign of the times.

### TWENTY YEARS OF VIRTUE.

When asked this morning at the Supreme Court why he failed to attend Court last week, a Chinese landlord put forth the excuse that he got into the building but could not find the Court room itself. Mr. Justice Gompertz: How long have you been in Hongkong? Witness: Twenty years. Mr. Justice Gompertz: You are very lucky that you have not been in the Court before.

### SPECIAL CABLE.

#### SHIPS COLLIDE.

#### STRAITS STEAMER SUNK.

#### DISASTER NEAR SINGAPORE.

[China Mail Special.]

SINGAPORE, March 16.—The Siam steamer "Boribet" collided with the Straits steamer "Ranee" on Wednesday at midnight 65 miles from Singapore, the "Ranee" sinking in ten minutes. Thirty-one lives were lost including the third engineer, 15 of the crew and 16 passengers. The "Boribet" returned to Singapore yesterday bringing captain Rogers of the "Ranee." The collision occurred at the entrance to the Sibul channel on a dark night.

#### "LES MISERABLES."

#### WORLD THEATRE PICTURE.

William Lyon Phelps Lampson, Professor of English Literature at Yale University, was so impressed by the William Fox picture of "Les Miserables," with William Farnum playing the part of the immortal Jean Valjean, which will be shown at the World Theatre next week, that he wrote a letter of commendation to Mr. Fox.

"I was deeply affected by 'Les Miserables,'" wrote Professor Phelps. "The artistic and spiritual values of the great novel are both preserved to a remarkable degree in the adaptation; and the acting is excellent. I wish everyone in America could see this picture."

Discussing the production Prof. Phelps said the educational value of such pictures as "Les Miserables" could not be over-estimated.

#### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

One Indian case of enteric fever was reported yesterday.

Members of the Kowloon Residents' Association are invited by an advertisement to attend Monday's meeting about the housing problem.

The Malay Mail states that Mr. Arthur Wilson is joining its staff next month as Assistant Editor. Mr. Wilson was at one time on the South China Morning Post; he then came to Singapore to join the Singapore Free Press, and for the last three years has been editor of the Malay Tribune. He is the author of many Musings and has been a regular contributor to The Planter.

G. K. Chesterton, it is said, is to be the editor of a new weekly review which is to bear his name. For some time there has been talk of a revival of T. P. O'Connor's famous paper, T.P.'s Weekly, with the grand old man again in the chair. Hilaire Belloc is definitely at work as editor of a new international paper which is to appear some time this year. He is at present in America in connection with the venture.

A postal scheme whereby people may forward money with more security has been evolved by the Postmaster General, Mr. S. B. C. Ross. For a charge of one cent people who wish to send money locally will be able to purchase what is called a "money post card" and on this (in spaces provided for the purpose) stamps to the value of the sum to be sent will be affixed. It has also been decided to have local parcels delivered in the future but parcels from outside the Colony must be called for.

Capt. W. A. Egerton, of H.M.S. "Southampton," has reported on the Colombo wireless station, which he finds to be out-of-date in the way of equipment. The Ceylon Chamber of Commerce has made repeated representations to Government in this connection, and has more than once approached His Excellency the Naval Commander-in-Chief, East Indies Squadron, through the Ceylon Government, with a view to the possible re-opening of the Matar wireless station for commercial work. New apparatus is to be ordered.

The son born to Princess Mary will be styled "Prince," but will not be styled "Royal Highness." It was in 1917 that it was arranged that the titles of "Highness" and "Serene Highness" should die out with the lapse of time; no more warrants for them being issued, and that the title "Royal Highness" should be confined to the children of the Sovereign and of the Sovereign's sons, titles of Prince and Princess being confined to the children of the Sovereign's sons, the titles of Prince and Princess being confined to the children and grandchildren of the Sovereign.

### TOM WRIGHT'S COLUMN. A LEG-PULL AND A CREDO.

#### JUST MY FUN.—It is fun to

criticize a critic, to make him swallow some of his own medicine, for me and I hope for you. What it may be for HIM depends upon his make-up, and is none of my business. I have been reading in the CHINA MAIL a criticism of a book of translations from Horace, and my fingers curve itching toward my scalping knife. As the criticism bears internal evidence that it was not done by one of my late colleagues, my hands are not tied by etiquette. As I haven't the least idea or suspicion who the critic was, I escape the risk of being accused of that journalistic weakness, the odium *agglutini*. Latin, and especially Horatian Latin, must be an ingredient of the medicine. "We turn to the Latin again," said he (so that I shrieked aloud when I read so far, and an American asked "what's the biting you?" and I said "a self-complacent ass," and the American said I must be bug-house) and I determined to turn to it myself, so soon as I could get back to my faithful typewriter, which can spell Latin just as well as any machine I ever owned. Of reviewers as well as of translators, said I to myself, evidently may be quoted "duo cum facient idem, non est idem," which I interpret to mean that though a cantatrice and a caddy can both sing; the melody may vary. They'll tell you at Queen's College that that's about right.

My victim is almost bound to plead at this point. "But hang it all, I commended the book." You did, bo, you did; but with reservations as unjust and silly as they were uncalled for. You did, but in such an offensively patronizing tone, and with such a priggish air of your own olympian exaltation, that you gave me, as soldiers say, the sick. You certainly contrived to convince me that you could read Horace in the original (which is not such a rare accomplishment as all that, you know) but you gave me the impression that the chief lesson you had learned from him was his "nil admirari." And that, be you now ware, sir, is not food for babes. Listen, and I will show you (and the boys too) where you offended.

This reviewer said that the translator's "ear plays him false," thereby showing that his ear cannot detect a horrid clefshay. Forgive him the clefshay, there is still the fact that he was silly enough to quote the passage that he thought would not justify. The word "justly" suggests that he thought the rhythm wrong. Here it is, as he gave it:

"Wherefor linger? Snatch the ring or  
Bracelet from the yielding finger"

As the Hongkong Hobson said to the friend who offered him a cigar at the gymkhana: "Vat's da matter vid it?" The metre is good enough. Was it, then, the rhymes that he disliked? I think they are good, and even Gilbertian in the praiseworthy sense. As I understand it, the vital principle of rhyme is not exactitude of phonetic repetition, but echo. A sound critic has pointed out that a sound poet rhymed "sweet" with "night" (na-ct) and justified him in it. There is a pleasant echolalia in that linger, ear, any way; and I'll back my ears against your critic's any day, and concede him the eight or nine inches of length by which his excess mine.

Quotes he a little more, and then says: "we turn to the Latin again; and we fail to see why he has turned it into a vulgar lift that reminds one of Mr. Kipling minus the cockneydom." Holy-toity, but there is a literary phrase and a pride for you. The translator's humour, a refreshing change from translators in general, let me add, seems to have fallen like water on that duck's back. I, who respect Horace, but do not reverence him as he would deity, "turn to the Latin again" in order to murmur: difficulties in ignorance quies. I do not know the Latin for humourless, or I would have put it in. I also turn to the Latin again in order to show that it can be done, what?

But so far I have played with your stupidities only. I come now to the passage that goes to "gagney mon chevre," as Emile might say if he were Hiram. (Note for proof-reader: The first e in chevre wants one of them topknot marks leaning to port. Thanks.) Never was the impertinence of the anonymous "we" more glaringly illustrated than in the entirely irrelevant addendum: "Lord Morley (rightly as we think) gave the palm to Lucilius." This is a simple childish animal of a reviewer, is transparently bent on dragging in "Da Raram Naram" to indicate the range of his own studies; and for no other purpose.

whatever. On that I set my hope of immortality and my chance of being paid for this scribble. "Rightly as we think," WOVV! Was it not this same Horace who said "nil est ab omni parte beatum," meaning a gorgeous sunset in any country to beat some ass baying, or to sit at grand opera beside a hummingbird, or to go to church and be bitten by a flea? When he talks of indulging in the pure and perfect joy of remarking that the palm will be given to the critic's bottom cries aloud for a spanking! Xca, I'd give him the palm that way. The fact is, of course, that there would be no excuse for more translations of Horace unless the translator has some originality and humour in him, and (judging by the samples given by your reviewer) this translator seems to have that valid excuse. It is his merit that has drawn these censures from that pneumatically distended pundit. Just to show that I am not pleading for the indiscriminately flattering notice, let me call attention to lines which the reviewer liked most, lines with which he was "most struck,"

"While in vain the woods do strain  
Their hoary burden to sustain"

To that end Horace's woods do not strain "in vain"; they managed the task, I think. Everybody brings to the reading of poetry his own equipment, which conditions the effects derived. Your reviewer brings the shabby little veneered and varnished outfit that is clearly his, and he gets accordingly. Some that read only for the jingle get music. I want reason as well as rhyme, and the perverse humour into which the spiral of my literary corkscrawl has been dipped makes me now see the woods (that Horace was describing) with all their branches torn off and lying like Ballus upon the ground. He didn't mean that, and I'll risk the conjecture that his latest rendering did not mean it either. "In vain" was a tempting rhyme that seemed to fit nicely. The word "amain" would have fitted just as well, and given us a fairer picture of those winter woods. I submit the suggestion respectfully to the poet, as an amendment for his next edition, in which also, if he agree with my taste in the matter, he will substitute "whatsoever waits" for "whatsoever awaits."

This is not criticism, please note; it is hypercriticism by a hyper-critic; and as a matter of fact, if you care for my opinion, based on the brief samples in the so-called review, I like the style of the translator's verses. But then, I am no pedant. So far I may have escaped howlers, and given you the impression that I am an enthusiastic Latinist. I am not. I loathe it yet as I did at school. But I do believe I understand the theory of prosody, and the principles of translation, and the business of literary criticism, a little better than does the homunculus you allowed to stray into your decent columns with his portentous and pretentious "we," merely because he knew Latin. A reviewer needs more than that.

Let me know if these spankings prove fatal, and if possible send me a photograph of the cadaver, that I may gloat upon my work. AVIDUITAS VITAE.—Each and every child that comes into our world brings with it this avidity, that asks of life more than life ever gives to any. It is the great illusion, and the main harvest of every individual life is progressive disillusionment. There has to be a sort of soul-ecstasy, a shedding of instinct for the larger carapace of reason. Self-assertion, resistant and strenuous, bought survival for primal man, who, becoming gregarious and social, then had to learn, against the grain as we say, self-repression. The cosmic virtue now appears the social vice. Qualities that meant success in the everlasting war with cosmic forces, now means failures in social adaptation. Individualism is the natural liberty, the liberty that included liberty to fall unheeded in the fight, to perish by the sword, as the bible says. The limited liberty of socialism, toward which the wilful turn of a viceroy, involves also a limitation of permitted or ignored suffering. Each system had its advantages, each its drawbacks. You pay your money and you take your choice; and either way you have occasion to complain and desire what you are pleased to call "reform." It is trying-pan or fire for you, in any event. There is no perfectly satisfying life for any man; since man is made that when desire is gone discontent enters. The end of the most persevering career of disillusionment is a longing for illusions. Even if you see the truth of this and acquire the conviction of it, the wisest thing for you to do is to try to forget it.

This is probably the wisest and soundest thing I have ever said, and will ever say. It has taken forty years of hard study to ripen, and it is of no use now that I have reaped the harvest of my own studies; and for no other purpose.

### CIVILISATION.

#### ITS HISTORY AND AIM.

#### AN INTERESTING LECTURE.

An interesting lecture on "Some Ancient Civilisations" was given by Mr. W. Kay, of Queen's College, to the Taiikoo Literary Association last evening.

What, the lecturer asked, was civilisation? It was a significant and stimulating sign that with the passage of years this question was becoming asked more frequently by thinking people. This meant to those who took a broad and unbiased view of things, past and present, that they were not altogether impressed and satisfied with man's achievements up to date. We all knew that our ancestors spent a tremendously long time in a slow ascent from brute savagery to the veriest primitive civilisation. This long, long apprenticeship of early man had been picturesquely described by one writer as a "million years of childhood." To us it seemed a long way off to the days of Queen Elizabeth or the Norman Conquest. It was a farther cry to the days of Julius Caesar or to the time when Christ taught in Jerusalem and farther still when Alexander the Great overthrew the gigantic but rotten empire of Darius, while those days when the Pharaohs built their pyramids and the Sumerians their cities seemed to be lost in the mists of antiquity. Yet what were those 60, 70, or even 80 centuries compared to the thousands of centuries during which our ancestors were dimly and painfully groping their way to the light?

By way of introduction the lecturer discussed some of primitive man's inventions, remarking that probably the first advance was the development of articulate speech. Then there was the momentous discovery perhaps man's greatest discovery—of how to produce fire, the invention of the bow and arrow, the invention of pottery, the domestication of wild animals and later, by tremendous intervals, the discovery and use of metals.

Man then began to develop politically and socially. Legends and myths were handed down from one generation to another by word of mouth until the final barrier which divided the un-civilised from the civilised man was broken down. Someone invented the art of writing so that man could transmit a record of his deeds and thoughts to posterity. He stood then at the portals of history, which extended back roughly to about 5,000 B.C.

The lecturer went on to say that in spite of the marvels of the 19th century and the wonders of the 20th century we must humbly admit that civilisation was a mere surface veneer, a thin film of aspirations and fine sentiments that was endeavouring to control and finally subdue the animal passions grown strong during the millions of years of unrestrained activity, to say nothing of the millions of years of unrestrained antecedent animal life which had left their deep mark on the bodily frame we had inherited. The real story of civilisation lay in the future but that night it was the past and not the future they had to look at.

After glancing at a few of the civilisations that flourished long ago near the Eastern End of the Mediterranean Sea and the place which we now call Mesopotamia, the lecturer remarked that of Greece and Rome he should not talk as most of them were familiar with what they did in the domains of arts and politics. Athens was the first democracy in the world and with small resources built a marvellous city. She gave lessons in politics, art and philosophy. Truth, beauty and goodness was the ideal of her thinkers. In Greece as in many other parts imperial expansion was the cause of her downfall. Athens in her years of brilliant civilisation made upon the world a mark which was never to be effaced—a deeper mark than Egypt had made in four thousand years.

Speaking a word or two about China, the lecturer said that the beginnings of Chinese civilisation were very obscure and the early Chinese records were no more reliable than the early Roman or early Hebrew ones. For our modern scholars the historic period of China opened about 1,122 B.C. or a little over three thousand years ago. Before that we had only a few bronze vessels and bells with ancient hieroglyphics on them, indicating an elementary civilisation as far back probably as 2,000 B.C. The general opinion was that Chinese civilisation developed in China on lines of its own.

India was of course much more easily connected with the West and its early civilisation was affected by the Afghanistan route to Persia and Britain. One often wondered at the apparent stagnation of these civilisations. This was due to the isolation from the other civilisations. Once a high culture was developed in China it had no contact with other high cultures till modern times. The map explained Chinese conservatism and with India it was pretty much the same. The civilisation which was able to

### SPORT.

#### LAWN TENNIS.

#### ANNUAL TOURNAMENT OPENED.

The annual lawn tennis tournament organised by the Hongkong Cricket Club to be played on the Club ground has opened, and the following are the results to date:—

Open Championship Doubles (first round).—E. R. S. Dods and A. B. Raworth beat G. H. Hayes and the Rev. C. Howard, 7-5, 6-1, 6-1.

Open Championship Singles (first round).—A. Eveleigh beat Horace Lo, 6-3, 6-1, 7-5; O. Rumjahn beat C. Wilson, 6-3, 6-4, 4-6, 8-6.

Handicap Singles "A" (first round).—O. Wilson (+2/6) beat T. G. Bennett (+4/6), 2-6, 6-4, 6-3.

Handicap Singles "B" (first round).—B. Crowley (—15) beat G. E. Ellams (scr.), 4-6, 6-4, 6-8.

Handicap Doubles (first round).—C. Wilson and A. G. M. Fletcher (+1/6) beat W. B. Cornaby and C. M. Wilson (+4/6), 6-1, 3-6, 6-1.

R. M. Smith and C. C. Stark (scr.) beat G. W. Sewell and T. G. Bennett (+5/6), 6-2, 6-3; L. Foster and T. H. King (scr.) beat W. B. Roberts and Hayes (scr.), 6-3, 6-4, 8-6; F. A. Dinsdale and E. C. Hagen (—4/6) beat C. Blaker and A. L. Guco (+4/6), 8-6, 7-5; R. E. Worthington and H. E. Grace (—16/4) beat E. Grimbale and L. Nelson (scr.), 6-4, 6-1.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

Mixed Doubles.—C. Wilson and Mrs. B. J. R. Mitchell v. J. R. Lloyd and Mrs. Lloyd; H. E. Grace and Mrs. Duff v. C. Lambert and Mrs. Tarrant.

Open Singles.—A. E. Dome v. V. Ivanovich; Thomas Lay v. F. A. McDermott; N. Trambitsky v. Yew Man Tsau.

Handicap Singles "A" (—T. H. King (+16) v. C. C. Stark (+15.9).

Open Doubles.—W. B. Roberts and R. E. Lindell v. B. E. Roberts and F. Prata; D. G. G. Neish and G. P. Menzies v. W. G. Kennear and W. Fraser.

produces Buddha, just as China produced Confucius in the 6th century B.C., had no stimulating contact with other cultures as the Western civilisation had. For a time after Alexander, the Great's invasion India was quickened by Greek influence but the collapse of Greece and Rome cut it off once more and India remained unprogressive.

Socially and morally it was difficult to classify ourselves with the best civilisations of the ancient world. A century ago we were not ahead of them as in the year of Waterloo, 80 per cent. of Londoners were illiterate; the popular sports were cruel and barbarous, the politics were rotten, the courts anything but just and the housing conditions foul. But since then enormous and rapid strides had been made and to-day the average type in every class was probably higher and more humane than ever, and there was more zeal for idealistic and charitable movements.

Where our age was undeniably in advance of all other ages was in its knowledge and practical application of science and it was by that means that mankind would be lifted up in the future for science was making the world a more comfortable place to live in and that helped the mind. Science was fighting against diseases, hitherto deemed as punishments and plagues; it was alleviating pain; it was removing moral diseases and mental infirmity, for those depended largely on material conditions, and it was gradually permitting fairer conditions for all. But a lot had still to be done. They applied science to things military and naval—to destroy human life; they applied science to industry and invented machines far beyond the imagination of the ancient Babylonians or Athenians; they applied science to discover the evolution of the body and the mind but they did not consult it when they confronted the imperfect moral condition of the world and the poor general level of character from age to age.

As Joseph McCabe in his evolution of civilisation had said: "What is the end of life? It is whatever we men choose to make it: it is what we choose to make collectively. We were going to develop what was clearly most worth developing in us: intelligence; refinement; character; health. We were going to eliminate pain, unhappiness, ignorance, coarseness, violence, poverty as far as possible. We were to have a hundred commonwealths and ten thousand cities competing with each other in the art of peace. So the conditions of progress on a higher plane would be provided only after the strong had ceased to exploit the weak when the sword had been beaten into ploughshares; when men of different nations ceased to regard others as aliens.

When the war drums beats no longer and the battle flags are furled.  
In the Parliament of man the federation of the world."



### RENTS DECISION.

#### POSSESSION CLAIM SUCCEEDS.

##### KNOTTY PROBLEM SOLVED.

The Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz) delivered judgment this morning in the case heard last week in which Wong Shuen Lun sued the Tai Loong Firm for the possession and mesne profits of the premises at 164 Des Voeux Road. The plaintiff was the lessor of the premises which were let to defendant on a monthly tenancy.

The judge said that the tenancy was determined by a notice to quit and the lessor required possession in order to pull down and reconstruct. The notice expired on November 28, 1922. Nothing turned on that and the notice was sufficient and good.

The defendant did not remove on November 28, and on the 29th, plaintiff's solicitors wrote giving them notice that proceedings for ejectment would be taken without further notice unless defendants quitted within two days.

The plaintiffs continued to press defendants to quit, said His Honour, but the defendants did not remove. Finally on December 27, defendants tendered and plaintiffs received one month's rent for the period—November 24 to December 22. On January 29, 1923, defendant refused to quit the premises claiming that the notice was void and cancelled the undertaking to remove.

The facts were agreed, continued His Honour and the only real question was as to the receipt of rent by the plaintiff for a period subsequent to the determination of the tenancy by the notice to quit.

Strictly speaking, at common law, notice to quit could not be waived, for once a valid notice was given the tenancy determined on its expiration.

His Honour then went on to recall points of law that applied to instances when parties might mutually agree upon a new tenancy to commence from the determination of the old one. It had been argued in the case before him that there was no statutory tenancy but His Honour could not agree. The notice was duly served and it determined the tenancy at common law. It was contended again that the receipt of rent was in the circumstances conclusive evidence of an agreement for a new tenancy. In his opinion no such conclusion could be drawn from the facts. The landlord never ceased to press the tenant to quit and the evidence was that he was doing so at the very interview when he received the rent.

His Honour concluded by saying that the receipt was merely a printed form and on the evidence he could not believe that either party intended or thought of a fresh tenancy agreement. Judgment was accordingly given for the plaintiff with costs. Mr. M. H. Turner appeared for plaintiff and Mr. K. Lo for defendant.

### BANK CLERK'S WAGES.

#### CHIEF JUSTICE'S COMMENT.

##### STATEMENT BY MANAGER.

Mr. Tsuiyee Pei, manager of the Hongkong branch of the Bank of China was interviewed by a *China Mail* reporter to-day in connection with the remarks made by the Chief Justice yesterday, in sentencing two clerks formerly employed by the bank, to the effect that having regard to the duties the clerks were called upon to perform, the wages were singularly small and inadequate.

Mr. Pei emphasised that the bank was quite satisfied with the judge's decision and did not wish to say anything which might be misconstrued and form the basis of an argument which he was most anxious to avoid.

However, Mr. Pei drew attention to the fact that the amounts of the salaries as told to the Court were wrong. After reference to books, Mr. Pei said that the first defendant was receiving \$55 monthly and the second defendant \$40. He went on to explain these amounts included a \$20 allowance. Questioned as to what the allowance was for, Mr. Pei said that this was really part of the salary but the bank called it by another name.

Mr. Pei added that yesterday their legal advisers called at the bank for instructions. They decided neither to press for a heavy penalty nor ask for leniency, as they were content to let defendants stand before British justice.

A French fleet consisting of cruisers and torpedo boats which is on a tour around the world in the interest of French trade was due to arrive at Yokohama on February 25 and at Kobe on March 8. The ships were to leave Kobe on March 14 and stay at Nagasaki till March 20. Pamphlets and cinematographs are carried on board explaining economic as well as political matters.

### TENNIS OFF.

#### MR. GORE UNABLE TO PLAY.

##### RETURNING LATER ON.

Tennis enthusiasts will be disappointed to learn that the exhibition doubles match in which Mr. A. W. Gore, former British champion, was to have participated is not to take place after all.

Mr. Gore arrived from Singapore by the "City of Poonah" this morning but could not be induced to play. The reason is understood to be that he strained his arm when playing at Singapore and does not feel "up to" exhibition tennis yet.

It is good to learn, however, that the ex-champion, who is connected with the firm of Caldbeck, Macgregor & Co. and goes on to Shanghai from here, is likely to be back this way in about two months' time and the hon. secretary of the Lawn Tennis Association was optimistic this afternoon as to the chances of arranging a game with Mr. Gore then, provided the conditions are suitable.

### AUSTRALIA'S WOODEN SHIPS.

#### TO TRADE WITH EAST.

##### TRANSFER TO HONGKONG.

Some of the wooden vessels built during the war for the Australian Government and sold in August last to Sydney buyers at £2,000 each are to be placed in trade between Australia and the East.

Details of the proposed new line were made available in Sydney last month. Of the five vessels sold by the Commonwealth Government the "Bellara" and "Bandarra" have already been partly dismantled in Sydney, and the remaining three vessels, the "Berringa," "Bethanga," and "Birriwa," are still in the same condition as when sold by the Government.

It is proposed to commence trading to the East with the Berringa, and as contemplated trade is developed to bring the other vessels into use.

An essential part of the proposal is to transfer the "Berringa" to the Hongkong register. This step is taken because the vessels are to be used in trade with the East, and partly owing to the heavy cost of running vessels under Australian conditions.

The new service will be conducted from Sydney, and it is proposed to engage in coal shipments to the East, but the main traffic will be in timber from Hokkaido, Japan, and British Borneo. The port of Hokkaido, situated at the southwestern extremity of Yezo, one of the islands of the Japanese Empire, is the outlet port of some fine timber country. Before the war British steamers used to call at Hokkaido, and a considerable quantity of Japanese timber was being lifted. During the war, with high freights and the scarcity of shipping, this traffic died away, and has not since been revived. There is no trade inducement for ordinary trading steamers, as load and discharge at Hokkaido are slow, and much of the timber is in large bulk.

In addition to the Japanese timber trade efforts are to be made to open up timber trade between British Borneo and Sydney, especially in cedar, which British Borneo is reputed to be anxious to sell abroad. Shipments will be made to Sydney, Melbourne, and Adelaide, and coal and other cargo offering will be taken as back loading for Manila, Hongkong, and Eastern ports. The Pacific Steamship Co., Ltd., of Sydney, will act as managing agents of the line in Australia.

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### "ABRAHAM LINCOLN."

#### LAST NIGHT'S NOTABLE SUCCESS.

Mr. W. E. Holloway achieved a great success in Mr. John Drinkwater's remarkable historical play, "Abraham Lincoln" at the Theatre Royal, last night. One could have wished that a larger audience had been present to witness an unmistakable histrionic triumph and an impressive revivification of history of especial interest at the present time when the world has just passed through the agonies of war to a peace which, for lack of an Abraham Lincoln, has often seemed scarcely less agonising than war.

But this is not the proper column in which to develop that theory; the present concern is Mr. Drinkwater's remarkably successful presentation of a dramatic period in American history. A stage play, in the ordinary sense, one can hardly call "Abraham Lincoln." It is episodic, argumentative, oratorical, devoid of love interest, almost without humorous relief. But as a living presentation of history it is thrilling, and demonstrates that the author has made a discovery—how to clothe the dry bones of history with living flesh and impart into his creation the breath of life.

The first episode introduces us to Lincoln, the obscure lawyer, receiving the invitation which must lead to the Presidency of the United States. We next see him on the eve of civil war directing the affairs of State and controlling the group of politicians associated with him in government; men timorous when they should be bold, and all for action when the waiting policy is the right one. The dramatic incidents of the Declaration of Civil War are presented with thrilling realism. In the anxieties of the war period, too, a modern audience finds itself in close sympathy with the author and his theme. Finally, peace is won and Lincoln is as strong for a righteous settlement as he has been in pursuing a righteous struggle. Then, tragedy; its gloom relieved by the sense of a lifework accomplished. Lincoln has just addressed the enthusiastic audience at the theatre after the declaration of peace (here the author introduces the famous words of the Gettysburg address) when the assassin fires the fatal shot and Lincoln now "belongs to the ages."

Mr. W. E. Holloway's representation of the extraordinarily difficult part of Lincoln was one of the finest pieces of acting seen in Hongkong for a very long time. The author has imposed great difficulties on the actor, who takes this part. The play is almost continuously on the stage, often making long speeches which may easily become sententious and prosy. Mr. Holloway avoided this pitfall by virtue of a remarkable elocutionary gift and voice capable of wide range of inflection. He made Abraham Lincoln a living figure on the page of history and received the enthusiastic acknowledgments of the audience not only at the conclusion but several times in the course of the evening.

The other members of a large cast had parts to play of very even quality and had few opportunities for distinguishing themselves. The author has sacrificed all the other characters on the stage in order to make Lincoln the outstanding figure. Mr. Fred Permain, as the negro, gave a sympathetic and affecting performance, and Miss Cherry Hardy was almost completely successful in overcoming the difficulties of "The Chronicler" who has a blank verse prologue to recite before each scene.

### MAIL-WEEK NEWS.

A drawing school and picture gallery are to be erected at Eton College.

Forty persons are reported to have been arrested at Odessa on charges of taking part in reactionary espionage.

Said to be the first woman diplomatic representative of a Power, Mme. Kollontai has been appointed Soviet representative in Norway.

The Queen, Queen Alexandra, and Queen Olga of the Hellenes all called on Mrs. Tylden, of Ingoldsthorpe, near Sandringham, to congratulate her on her 100th birthday.

### TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

#### KOWLOON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION.

MEMBERS are requested to attend the PUBLIC MEETING on the POUSING QUESTION to be held at the CITY HALL on MONDAY, March 19th, at 5.30 P.M.

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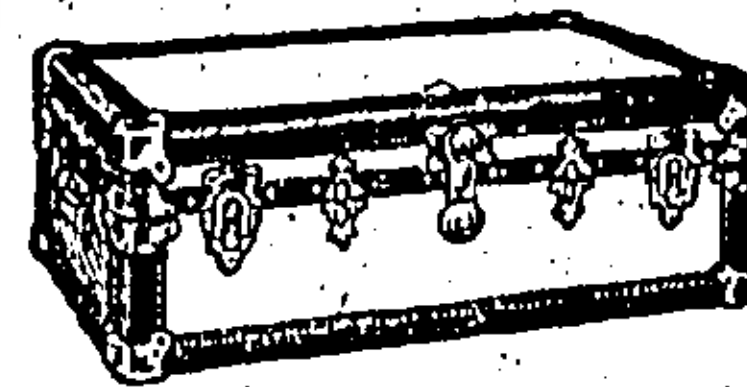
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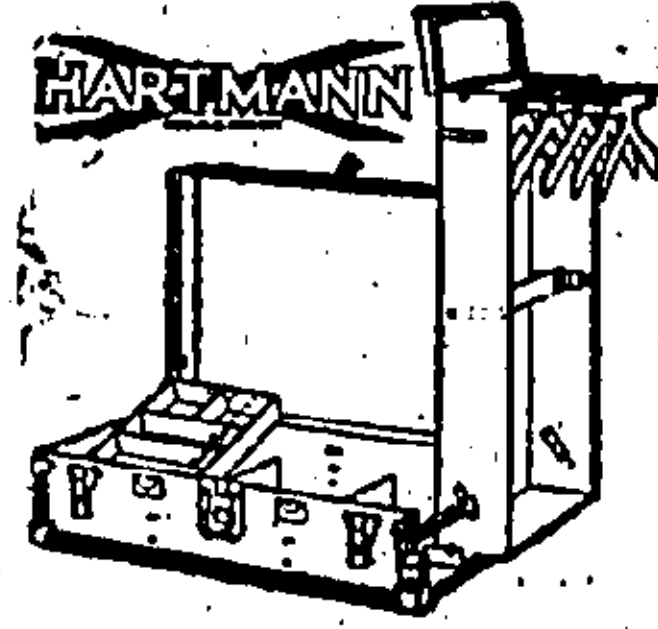


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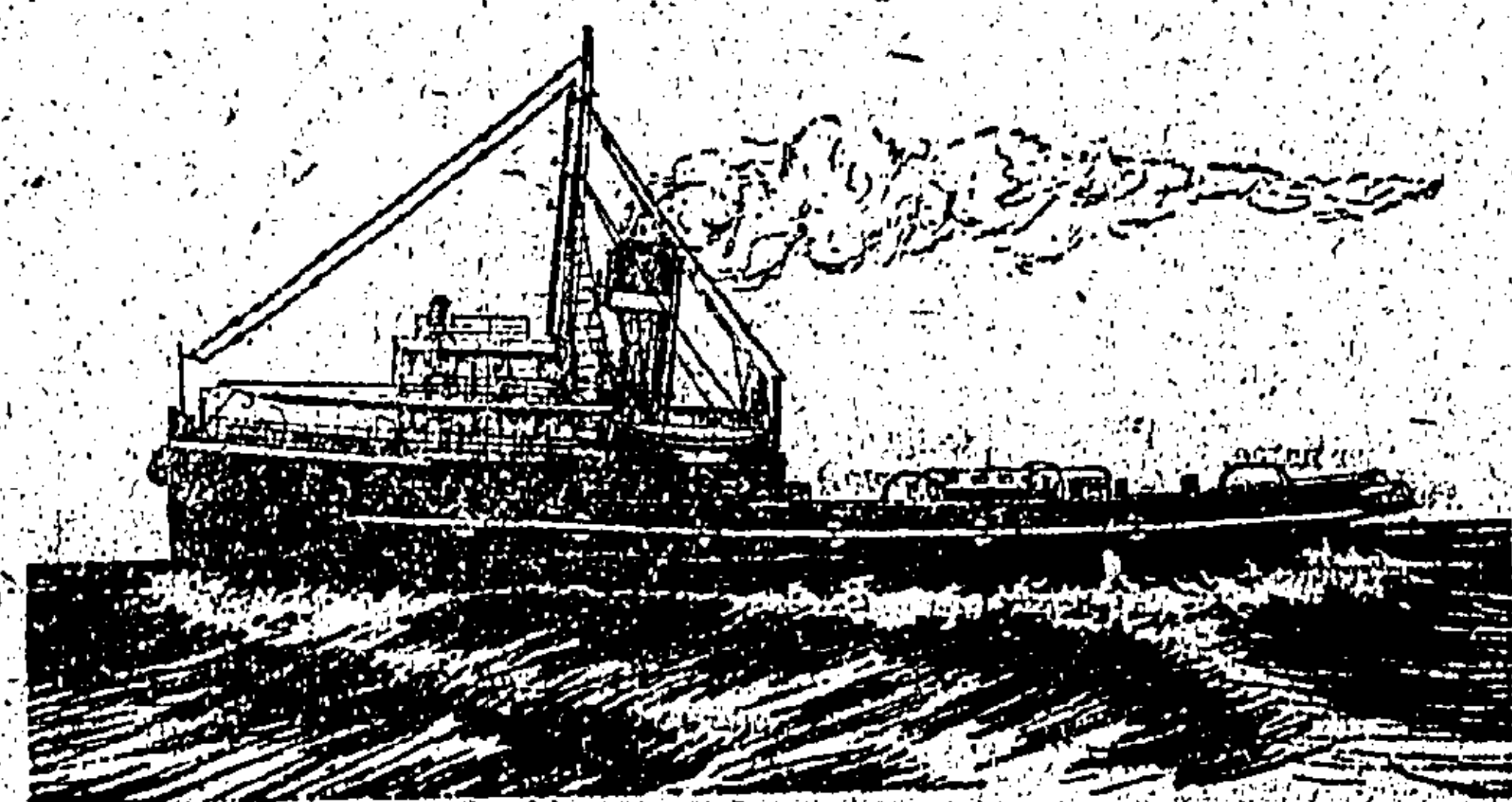
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### BLIND BOYS' BAND. TO PLAY IN KOWLOON.

The Poochow Blind Boys' Band, which has been touring England and has performed before Her Majesty the Queen, is passing through Hongkong on its homeward journey in a few days' time and will give an interesting demonstration in the grounds of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, on Monday, H.E. the Governor and Lady Stubbs have promised their patronage on the occasion. Out of eighty inmates of the Poochow Blind Home, these boys—ten in number—have developed marked ability to perform on Western brass instruments, the organ and violin. In the course of eight months they have interested a great many audiences at home with their performances. Some of the boys have skill as elocutionists and all of them are expert in various handicrafts. Of their powers in these directions exhibitions will be given in addition to the band performances and vocal music.

Two opportunities will be given—at 3.30 and 9 p.m.—to see the display by the blind lads and the proceeds will be devoted to the funds of the Poochow Blind Home where Mrs. Wilkinson, the lady missionary has so successfully trained the boys.

### LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

#### ARRIVALS.

Poolee, (Hing Shun) from Fort Baird—C6.  
Hok Canton, (Hong On) from Kwong Chow Wan—C42.  
Soudan, (P. & O.) from Bombay, Singapore—Kowloon (W. P. S. Ltd.)  
Empress of Asia, (C. P. S. Ltd.) from Vancouver, Manila—Kowloon Wharf.  
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Phranang, (Cheong F. F.) from Hoihow—C16.  
Pyrrhus, (B. & S.) from Liverpool, Singapore—F. J. Wharf.  
Kiangsu, (B. & S.) from Bangkok, Swatow—B11.  
Empress of France, (C. P. S. Ltd.) from New York, Nagasaki—Kowloon Wharf.  
Shansi, (B. & S.) from Saigon—C18.  
Lycaon, (B. & S.) from London, Singapore—Admiralty I.

#### DEPARTURES.

Tjao, (J. C. J. L.) for Yokohama—March 15.  
A. S. M. (Lee Beng Kee) for Kowloon—March 15.  
Lycaon, (B. & S.) for Woonung—March 16.  
Taiko Maru, (Dodwell & Co.) for Chinwantao—March 16.  
Ixion, (B. & S.) for Shanghai—March 16.  
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Chenan, (B. & S.) for Bangkok, Hoihow—March 16.  
Song Bo, (Laplace & Co.) for Canton—March 16.  
Halvard, (Wo Fat Sing) for Canton—March 16.  
Soochow, (B. & S.) for Canton—March 16.  
Nanking, (China Mail) for San Francisco, Shanghai—March 16.  
Szechuen, (B. & S.) for Shanghai—March 16.  
Yejim Maru, (M. B. K.) for Dai-zen, Tsingtao—March 16.  
Meidai Maru, (M. B. K.) for Hongkong—March 16.  
Van Cloon, (J. C. J. L.) for Deli, Singapore—March 16.  
Ho Sang, (J. M. & Co.) for Calcutta, Singapore—March 16.  
Kwanglee, (C. M. S. N.) for Shanghai—March 16.  
Teau, (B. & S.) for Cebu, Amoy—March 16.

### OBITUARY.

#### MR. C. C. DA SILVA.

An old Hongkong Portuguese resident in the person of Mr. Candido Concilio da Silva passed away at his residence, 5 Salisbury Avenue, Kowloon, yesterday. Deceased who was 68 years of age had been in indifferent health for some time and lately had suffered a great deal. For many years he had been employed at the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., but later joined the Macao Government Service. He leaves a widow and a married daughter. The funeral took place this morning.

### FOOTBALL.

#### NOTES AND COMMENT.

##### TO-MORROW'S GAMES.

##### LEAGUE FIRST DIVISION.

Kowloon v. R.G.A., Kowloon (Hinghoo) ground.  
Club v. King's, Club ground.  
Tamar v. Titania, Navy "B" ground.  
Ambrose v. Durban, Navy "A" ground.  
S.C.A. v. Hawkins, Sookumpoo "A" ground.  
Kick-off at 4.30 p.m. sharp.

##### SECOND DIVISION.

University v. Marazion, St. Joseph's ground.  
Ambrose v. St. Joseph's, Navy "A" ground.  
Durban v. South China "B", Navy "B" ground.  
Kick-off at 3 p.m. sharp.

Kowloon are at home to the R.G.A. The latter team are not very strong and with the home team playing as they are at the top of their form they should have no difficulty in annexing the two points.

Club receive the King's, and with a weak team turning out are likely to lose. They did well however last week to draw with the Hawkins although it was obvious the latter team who were not at full strength, did not stretch themselves much.

Tamar and the Titania meet, and it is to be hoped that the latter team will show a more sportsmanlike attitude on the field to-morrow than they did last Saturday. Even their own supporters were disgusted with the players who walked off the field. On the showing of the two teams, last Saturday, (the former drew with the Chinese and the latter lost to Kowloon in the last minute of the game), I should expect to see a draw as the final result.

Ambrose and the Durban meet. The former still have a very large interest in the League as they can still qualify for runners up in this competition. A fast game is expected and on form Ambrose are expected to win.

The match that will create the most excitement and attract the largest crowd will be that between the Chinese and Hawkins at Sookumpoo. These teams have not met before this season, and it is expected that they will play for the four points, as the Hawkins will be leaving Port in a few days and will be unable to finish her fixture list. A fast and even game should be seen and should the Hawkins be at full strength they will make the Chinese go for it. I should not be surprised if they win, but a draw is a more likely result.

In the Second Division there are only three matches. Most of the teams have completed their fixtures and now only await the result of the Junior Shield final.

Marazion should be too good for the University, St. Joseph's and the Ambrose will probably draw and the Durban will not beat the Chinese "B" team. The latter are in good form and are good favourites for the Shield.

The Chinese Olympic Football games are to take place on Saturday, the 24th, Monday, the 26th, and Wednesday, the 28th, on the Club ground which has been kindly lent for the occasion. The arrangements are in the hands of the South China Athletic Association, but the matches will be under the control of the Football Association who will appoint the Referees and linesmen.

##### OLUB v. KING'S.

The following will represent the Club in their league game with the King's at 4.30 p.m. to-morrow on the Club ground:—McPhail; Israel; and Bishop; Mair; Stewart; Angus; May; Foyers; Gerrard; Valentine and England.

### CRICKET.

#### NOTES AND COMMENT.

##### FIRST LEAGUE PROSPECTS.

Congratulations are due to the Indian Recreation Club second eleven for winning the second league championship this season. Although not very convincing at the beginning of the season when they lost to the H.K.C.C. 2nd XI in a friendly and drew with the Police in their first league match, giving a laborious exhibition of batting—it is recognised that early season form is not a true criterion—they beat in turn the Civil Service 2nd XI and R. E. who were tipped as likely champions. The way in which their batting, bowling and fielding rose to the occasion for the match with the Snappers predicted the triumph in store for them. Luck favoured them to a certain extent in their all-important return match with the Police on February 3 when they were sent in to bat on a good wicket after having lost the toss. In all, they won seven league matches in succession and have one remaining fixture to play off, viz., against Kowloon 2nd XI. A resume of their doings in detail will be given after the completion of their programme.

With the second league decided, interest now centres on the senior division and the run-in position. The inter-club football and the race, meeting caused a number of fixtures to be postponed. As the hot weather is not far off, it would be expedient to decide them as soon as possible. Each club has a number of open dates and there should be no difficulty in making arrangements. It would indeed be a pity if, towards the end of the season, counter-attractions and the heat discourage followers of the game from finishing their lists. In previous seasons, interest has generally waned after the issue is decided and a number of fixtures between teams out of the running have been abandoned.

##### Last Saturday's Matches.

Last week, every team in the running for first league honours was engaged except Civil Service, who were down to meet the Infantry, but for some reason, the match was not played. The I.R.C.'s draw with the Varsity has had the double effect of reducing their lead and spoiling their own chances for the blue ribbon. The H.K.C.C., on their own ground were expected to account for Craigengower and by doing so they are now six points behind the University with a game in hand. The Civil Service are nine points behind with two games in hand. To be "in at the kill," the I.R.C. have to win both their remaining fixtures which are with the Club and the Infantry and the University must lose their two games. On Saturday, the Club play Civil Service at Happy Valley. Neither team is at full strength, the most notable absentee being Reed, the Civil Service bowler. Wittchell, after a holiday, is re-appearing for the civil servants and his left-hand deliveries might help. A draw would be the best result for the University as the loss of two points to both clubs would relieve them of a lot of anxiety. Against the University's match with the Infantry down for February 17, I am informed that correspondence has passed about it but no decision has been arrived at. According to the league rules, the Varsity can claim the points. The Infantry have given a list of dates but none of them is suitable. If the match has to be played, it must wait till after April 7.

Kowloon playing without B. D. Evans, added another league victory to their credit at the expense of the C.R.C., who have now finished their league programme. To put it bluntly the Chinese have again been disappointing. Out of nine matches, they can only point to one victory and one draw. And all of the seven defeats have been decisive. Summing up their doings in figures, they beat Craigengower, playing at home, by 33 runs. The draw with Infantry was rather fortunate. Against a score of 152, they had, at the drawing of stumps, 104 for 9 and this flattered them as several batsmen had "lives," thanks to bad fielding. They lost to the R. G. A. by 64 runs, the H. K. C. C. by 114 runs, the I. R. C. by 88 runs, the University by 96 runs, the Navy by 105 runs, Civil Service by 2 wickets and 65 runs and Kowloon by 4 wickets and 18 runs. In all they scored 910 runs against 1475 recorded against them. Taking the average per wicket, the figures are 10.22 against 21.7.

##### C.R.C.'s Poor Showing.

One or two of the players have figured occasionally in the averages but not for long. The bad showing is not attributable to constant changes in the team. In all sixteen players have turned out in league

matches; one of them has only played once and three twice. This reduces the number of regular players to twelve and all cricketers will agree that, constant practice in the same company is invaluable for combination. The individual figures for the batting are modest; for the bowling poor. G. Lee, the captain, has the highest aggregate, 155 runs for 9 matches, with an average of 17.22. His innings of 45 and 41 were easily the highest for the C.R.C. in league cricket this season. He has, however, been inconsistent. When in form, one felt that he had not lost his skill but the confidence of his younger days seemed to be lacking. The batsmen next in order of merit were Ng Sze-kwong with a total of 108 for 17 innings, average 15.43, highest score 32. Ng was more dependable, only failing twice to get double figures. When one recalls the year when he headed the batting averages for the greater part of the season, his decline through devotion to tennis, is more marked. Still, I think he is the most stylish C.R.C. batsman with a variety of scoring strokes. C. Chao's corresponding figures are 117 for 9, 14.63, 29 and M. V. L. 125 for 9, 13.89, 28. Wong Sit-to, from whom a lot was expected, was disappointing and Ching seldom played in anything like form. Of the younger players, hopes are entertained of the Hung brothers and Shi. The latter is rather unorthodox; his promotion in the batting list did not work well either for the team or for him. W. Hung has made useful scores and has the right temperament. However, he has the one failing so common to modern youngsters, that of partiality to leg strokes such as the "hook" and "pull." I shall always insist that properly made, the glorious drives past cover-point are the prettiest and the most serviceable of scoring strokes. His brother, H.C. probably on account of his bowling, has not fulfilled the promises of his Varsity days. As a steady batsman and bowler, he should prove a tower of strength to the C.R.C. if he obtains the proper tuition.

##### Batsmen and Bowlers.

The main reason for the poor displays is due to poor fielding. Dropped catches do not steel bowlers' hearts and a long spell of leather-hunting is not conducive to formidable batting. Playing with other combinations, the bowlers might have obtained better figures. As it was, the bowling itself, individually and collectively, was not dangerous, except against Craigengower, when Lee, Ng Sze-kwong and Ching, bowled with real understanding. Lee and Ching have again been the mainstays and their analysis are not in the least flattering. Lee bowled in every match, sending down 78.1 overs, (6 maidens) for 349 runs and taking 14 wickets giving him an average of 24.93. On occasions he was reliable but between his best days and his worst, there was a big gulf. Ching bowled in eight matches, his figures being 69.2, 4, 326, 18 with an average of 18.11. He managed to get a wicket in every match, but was often expensive. The bowler with the best average is H. C. Hung. Only put on as a change bowler, and that occasionally, at the commencement of the season, he has become one of the regular bowlers. Very rightly he is concentrating on length and does not attach to speed, the importance he did at one time. He bowled in seven matches and got down 50 overs (2 maidens), off which 208 runs were scored and took 14 wickets with an average of 14.86. His best performance was 3 for 20 against the Infantry. A glance at the results will testify to the bowling weakness. Except when they dismissed Craigengower for 97, the lowest score made against them was 152 for 7 wickets by the Infantry. The highest was 202 for 4 by the H. K. C. C. On the other hand, their own highest score was 144.

Mr. R. A. Ponsonby-Fane, the veteran wicket-keeper, stonewaller and lob-bowler, left for Tokyo yesterday and will not be back for perhaps a year. A striking personality, liked and respected by all with whom he came in contact, he will be remembered for his services to cricket here during the War. With Mr. Claud Severn, he was mainly responsible for keeping the game going when the league was in abeyance. A good many of the younger local players, particularly those who were at the University, will agree that their prowess is due, partly if not entirely, to his tuition.

##### Averages and Records.

As to the averages and records one finds at this stage of the season that the University 1st XI and the I. R. C. 1st and 2nd XI's can boast unbeaten records. University broke their winning sequence last Saturday and dropped their first points. The Infantry is the only league team without a victory to its credit.

Owen Hughes and A. A. Rumjahn each have now over 300 runs for league matches, the former, retaining

his position at the head of the averages. Other interesting records are that S. H. Small and H. Y. Lam have joined the list of those with 200 runs to their credit. A. A. Rumjahn and Peterson have 20 wickets to their record and F. M. Arculli is the first to reach 30. J. Ackbar, who is at the head of the second league batting averages, has what may be described as "freak" figures. The following may be of interest to cricketers:—

Double feat of scoring 200 runs and taking 20 wickets:—  
A. A. Rumjahn 314 runs and 20 wkts.  
Capt. Davies 203 " " 27 "  
H. D. Rumjahn 217 " " 28 "  
Scored 200 runs or more:—  
Hughes 340, S. H. Small 206, Capt. Oliver 205; H. Y. Lam 205.  
Taken 20 wickets or more:—  
Balthuschet 25, A. A. Rumjahn 20; F. M. Arculli 33, Townsend 29, C. Earnshaw 23, Peterson 23.

The following games are down for decision on Saturday, home teams first:—

##### FIRST LEAGUE.

Civil Service v. H.K.C.C., Kowloon v. Infantry.

##### SECOND LEAGUE.

Police v. University 2nd XI FRIENDLY.  
University v. R.G.A., Navy v. C.R.C., Craigengower v. I.R.C., H.K.C.C. 2nd XI v. Civil Service 2nd XI.

##### LEAGUE BATTING AVERAGES.

| FIRST LEAGUE.      |                 |            |                |          |
|--------------------|-----------------|------------|----------------|----------|
|                    | No. of Innings. | Aggregate. | Highest Score. | Average. |
| Owen Hughes        | 6               | 340        | 128*           | 85.00    |
| Dods (Inf.)        | 2               | 54         | 50*            | 54.00    |
| Fischer (C.S.)     | 5               | 158        | 65*            | 52.66    |
| Webster (H.)       | 4               | 191        | 78             | 47.75    |
| A. H. Rumjahn      | 7               | 314        | 70             | 44.86    |
| Com. Wood (N.)     | 6               | 193        | 68*            | 38.60    |
| A. H. Madar (I.R.) | 7               | 111        | 42*            | 37.00    |
| S. H. Small (I.R.) | 7               | 206        | 63*            | 34.33    |
| Davies (R.A.)      | 6               | 203        | 75             | 33.83    |
| Quick (I.R.)       | 7               | 196        | 81*            | 32.56    |
| Sayer (C.S.)       | 5               | 161        | 49             | 32.20    |
| Mid Evans (N.)     | 5               | 153        | 61             | 30.50    |
| Pearce (H.)        | 5               | 200        | 35*            | 30.00    |
| Olliver (R.A.)     | 7               | 205        | 47             | 29.29    |
| S. D. Small (I.R.) | 7               | 165        | 51*            | 27.50    |
| Capt. Spinks (K.)  | 7               | 152        | 40*            | 25.33    |
| Omar (Craig.)      | 4               | 99         | 48             | 24.75    |
| A. H. Rumjahn      | 6               | 141        | 38             | 23.50    |
| Benson (C.)        | 7               | 138        | 50             | 23.00    |
| Chester (R.A.)     | 7               | 137        | 31*            | 22.63    |
| Gace (H.)          | 3               | 45         | 20*            | 22.50    |
| Bacon (Inf.)       | 3               | 64         | 39             | 21.33    |
| Hannay (Inf.)      | 2               | 42         | 30             | 21.00    |
| G. A. V. Hall (K.) | 6               | 103        | 40*            | 20.60    |
| Purcell (N.)       | 8               | 162        | 49             | 20.25    |
| Lawrence (Craig.)  | 4               | 80         | 39             | 20.00    |

##### SECOND LEAGUE.

|                    |   |     |      |       |
|--------------------|---|-----|------|-------|
| J. Ackbar (I. R.)  | 5 | 56  | 31*  | 56.00 |
| H. Y. Lam (U.)     | 5 | 205 | 89   | 51.25 |
| H. D. Rumjahn      | 7 | 217 | 70*  | 36.17 |
| D. Rumjahn (I. R.) | 7 | 195 | 59*  | 32.50 |
| Petheram (K.)      | 5 | 127 | 57*  | 31.75 |
| Alexander (P.)     | 7 | 176 | 68   | 29.33 |
| Hammond (R.E.)     | 7 | 171 | 100* | 28.50 |
| Wahup (I.R.)       | 5 | 80  | 36   | 26.66 |
| Redpath (R.E.)     | 6 | 158 | 55   | 26.33 |
| E. J. Edwards (K.) | 7 | 157 | 35   | 26.17 |
| Peterson (U.)      | 6 | 138 | 94   | 23.00 |
| Pearson (R.E.)     | 7 | 132 | 40   | 22.00 |

##### LEAGUE BOWLING AVERAGES.

| FIRST LEAGUE.        |                 |            |                |          |
|----------------------|-----------------|------------|----------------|----------|
|                      | No. of Wickets. | Aggregate. | Highest Score. | Average. |
| Lt. White (Inf.)     | 10              | 560        | 25             | 7.40     |
| Reed (C.S.)          | 14              | 740        | 14             | 7.79     |
| Hannay (Inf.)        | 8               | 788        | 8              | 7.88     |
| Baker (C.S.)         | 6               | 866        | 6              | 8.66     |
| McNicoll (H.)        | 5               | 900        | 5              | 9.00     |
| Quick (U.)           | 12              | 925        | 12             | 9.25     |
| A. A. Rumjahn (U.)   | 20              | 945        | 20             | 9.45     |
| Davies (R.A.)        | 27              | 974        | 27             | 9.74     |
| T. E. Yeoh (U.)      | 5               | 980        | 5              | 9.80     |
| Owen Hughes (H.)     | 15              | 987        | 15             | 9.87     |
| Hamilton (C.S.)      | 7               | 1014       | 7              | 10.14    |
| Wallace (N.)         | 18              | 1100       | 18             | 11.00    |
| B. D. Evans (K.)     | 19              | 1189       | 19             | 11.89    |
| Omar (Craig.)        | 16              | 1194       | 16             | 11.94    |
| SECOND LEAGUE.       |                 |            |                |          |
| H. D. Rumjahn (I.R.) | 28              | 782        | 28             | 7.82     |
| C. Earnshaw (P.)     | 23              | 830        | 23             | 8.30     |
| F. M. Arculli (I.R.) | 33              | 848        | 33             | 8.48     |
| Peterson (U.)        | 23              | 1013       | 23             | 10.13    |
| Cowan (C.S.)         | 13              | 1015       | 13             | 10.15    |
| Townsend (R.E.)      | 29              | 1017       | 29             | 10.17    |
| Jacobson (N.)        | 9               | 1067       | 9              | 10.67    |
| Shenton (K.)         | 8               | 1112       | 8              | 11.12    |
| Gardiner (C.S.)      | 13              | 1138       | 13             | 11.38    |
| Waite (P.)           | 15              | 1173       | 15             | 11.73    |
| Pearson (R.E.)       | 11              | 1182       | 11             | 11.82    |

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Women often become nervous and despondent. When this is due to constipation it is easily corrected by taking Dr. Cassell's Food. It contains the most perfect laxative and is easy to take and pleasant in effect. For sale by all Chemists and Grocers.

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### ARMY BOXING.

#### LAST NIGHT'S CONTESTS.

Chiefly soldiers and sailors with a scattering of a few civilians gathered in the improvised boxing arena at Murray Barracks last night when the King's Regiment opened their boxing tournament which will continue until Saturday night. It is more than likely, that some of the events, in view of the large number of entries, will have to be carried over till Monday night.

It was a novices programme pretty well all the way through although a special ten round contest between Pte. McGuinness of the King's Regiment and L/C. Crotty of H.M.S. "Hawkins" was cut down to three rounds. Crotty, who was a substitute for A. B. Larter of the "Hawkins" was easily outclassed by his opponent who got in with some lightning head punches which soon began to make Crotty stagger. He took a good deal of punishment and thought it best to retire in the third round.

During the interval a special demonstration in fairs and conduct of boxing was given by Lieut. Comdr. Douglas Hamilton, assisted by A. B. McBride and P. O. Wellman.

The officials were:—  
Referees.—Lieut. Comdr. I. A. Douglas Hamilton, R.N., Lieut. C. J. Bailey, M.M., King's Regiment.  
Judges.—Captain E. C. Cross, King's Regiment, Lieut. A. Walsh, D.C.M., Royal Artillery, Lieut. G. J. Jones, King's Regiment.  
Timekeeper.—R.S.M. C. Mitchell.

M.C.—C.S.M. Rearden.  
Committee.—Captain P. Pilkington, M.B.E., Lieut. C. J. Bailey, M.M., R.S.M. Mitchell, C.S.M. Rearden, C.Q.M.S. Ashton, Sergt. Bryan, and Sergt. Lyons.  
Details of the bouts are as follows:—

#### NOVICES' LIGHT WEIGHTS.

##### PTE. PICKEN v. PTE. HUGHES.

An uninteresting fight which ended in Picken falling to the boards in the first round as the result of a knock out to the jaw.

PTE. GOODWIN v. L/C. KNOWLES.  
An enthusiastic contest in which Goodwin won on points.

PTE. TAYLOR v. PTE. MANNING.  
A one round farce that was void of any attempt at good boxing. Manning proving an easy thing for his opponent who sent him down very quickly.

##### PTE. REESLEY v. L/C. WEST.

Showing keen determination West went for his man with tiger-like fury and broke through his opponent's guard without difficulty. He was awarded the fight.

##### PTE. LOWE v. PTE. ABRAMS.

Although a smaller man Abrams was very quick to seize an opportunity and employed his left with considerable advantage. As a novice he was distinctly good and the fight was very properly given in his favour.

#### NOVICES' BANTAM WEIGHTS.

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## CHINA AND JAPAN.

## TREATY ABRIGATION PROPOSALS.

## JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTERS' REPLY.

The following is an English translation of the reply from the Japanese Minister for Foreign Affairs to the Chinese Charge d'Affaires in Tokyo, regarding the Sino-Japanese Treaty of May 25, 1915.—Monsieur le Charge d'Affaires,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your note dated the 10th instant, in which, under instructions from Peking, you were good enough to communicate to me the decision of your Government respecting abrogation of the Sino-Japanese Treaty and Note of May 25, 1915. After quoting the statement of your Government published immediately on conclusion of the said Treaty, the statement of the Chinese Delegation at the Paris Peace Conference and the contentions advanced by the Chinese Delegation at the Washington Conference, your note concludes that the said Treaty and Notes should now be cancelled in toto, except those stipulations and reservations contained therein which have already been adjusted and which the Japanese Government have already renounced or withdrawn.

**SURPRISE AND REGRET.**  
The Japanese Government are unable to conceal from themselves a sense of surprise and regret at the communication under acknowledgment. The Treaty concluded in 1915 was formally signed by the Japanese and Chinese Representatives, who were properly invested with full powers by their respective Governments, the Treaty having been, moreover, duly ratified by the respective heads of State.

The views of the Japanese Government concerning these agreements were declared by their Delegates at the Washington Conference. An attempt on the part of your Government to abrogate of its own accord Treaties and Notes which are perfectly valid will not only fail to contribute to the advancement of friendship between our two countries, but should be regarded as contrary to the accepted principles of international intercourse. This Government, accordingly, cannot in any way lend themselves to the line of action now contemplated by your Government. The Japanese Government have always had near their heart the promotion of cordial relations between our nations and they trust you will agree that their solicitude in that direction has been abundantly proved in their dealings with the Chinese Government by repeated acts of goodwill.

**NO FURTHER MODIFICATION.**  
Furthermore, the Japanese Government have recently concluded, new arrangements with China on certain matters stipulated in the said Treaty and Notes, and have also declared their decision to waive rights secured to them under various other clauses in the instruments in question and to withdraw certain reservations made in them. In this situation they feel compelled to declare that they find absolutely nothing in the Treaty and Notes which is susceptible of further modification. It therefore seems to the Japanese Government that there is no occasion for entertaining in any way the proposals of your Government, respecting the discussion of questions incidental to the restoration of Port Arthur and Dairen, consequent upon the abrogation of the said Treaty. I avail myself of this opportunity, etc., etc.

## JAPANESE ARMS CASE.

## HOW ARRESTS WERE MADE.

The five Japanese (two men and three women) who were arrested by the Wanchai police for possession of arms were formally charged at the Magistracy this morning. According to the prosecution, first defendant brought the contraband ashore from a ship. The Japanese community at Wanchai became anxious and information was given to the authorities. Second male defendant was arrested on Wednesday night at No. 11, Mallory Street. Information from him led to a visit by Det. Sub. Inspector Cooke to No. 61, Praya East where the three women were found. Two of them opened the baskets containing the arms and all three had pistols strapped round their waists. Two of the women belonged to a house of ill-fame. They were all taken in custody. On a statement by one of the women, the Police went to No. 8 Gage Street. First defendant was pointed out as the man who had brought the arms to the house at Praya East.

The women defendants were allowed bail of \$1,000 each but the men were not allowed bail.

## CARPENTERS' COMPLAINT.

## OLD AND NEW CONTRACTS.

## BUILDING METHODS EXPLAINED.

The Chinese carpenters of the *Muk Yip* (wood workers) Guild, the carpenters usually engaged by building contractors, have complained to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs. They state that the employers did not comply with an agreement made last year, whereby they are each entitled to an increment of twenty-five cents per day.

In building operations it is usual for the owners to assign the work to a contractor through an architect. The contractor firms out the different classes of work to sub-contractors who, in turn, procure the actual labour. This has been necessary as the big contractors are not specialists in their line, lack either the capital to enter into a contract direct or the necessary connections and prestige.

It appears that some of the workmen have benefited from the increase but others, engaged in work prior to the concession, are paid at the old rates. The employers point out that in these cases they are already bound to certain amounts but should new jobs get into the market, they will make provision for the increased pay. Representatives of the Building Contractors' Association have explained their case to the S.C.A. and the Director of Public Works. Meanwhile, there has been no cessation of work as the carpenters are willing to wait for a ruling.

## "X-RAY EYES MYSTERY."

## MAN FOR WHOM THERE ARE NO SECRETS.

The greatest psychic mystery of the Old World to-day is the man with the X-ray eyes.

In Vienna, his home, they also speak of him as "the man for whom there are no secrets." He is the wonder of scientists, the talk of the newspapers, the "white hope" of all agencies engaged in ferreting out and prosecuting crime, the terror of the underworld. For Rafael Schermann—by this name that astonishing personage is known in his everyday relationships—has very firm convictions on the subject of social obligations.

He believes, says the *Sunday Times* that he holds his marvellous gift of second sight as a sort of trusteeship, and that he must put its benefit at the disposal of the commonwealth. His exploits are verified by the rigorous scientific testimony of a number of experts, psychologists of established repute. The noted Prof. Benedikt of the University of Vienna has written a book about him. These scientists, however, confined themselves to stating the facts of the case—they frankly admit that explanation is beyond them.

Rafael Schermann's latest triumph was achieved with a 40,000,000 kronen forgery that occurred in one of the leading banks of the Austrian metropolis, an establishment on the fashionable Schottenring.

One day I called at his apartment and asked him to explain his gift of second sight, writes a correspondent in the *New York World*. "I have no explanation," he said. "All I know is that my gift was born with me. When I was still a baby I was irresistibly interested in anything written."

"I picked up thrown away envelopes and searched scraps of letters for letters. I found a peculiar character as a kind of mysterious image. When I was nine years old someone put a slip of paper in my pocket on which was written 'Teacher is an ass.' I studied the writing and decided which of the boys wrote it. When I approached him he was so perplexed that he admitted it."

"Later on, to my great astonishment, I discovered that when I looked at a sample of writing—any writing—I could see its author—not only his face and figure, but his whole life, his background, his destiny. I could not describe just exactly what form this sight took with me until I went to a motion picture theatre for the first time. Then I had the term."

"I saw the lives of people whose handwriting I studied in long reels of mental motion pictures, as it were. But it was not necessary for me to see handwriting. If a person touches a piece of paper before I get it, it works the same way. The important thing is that this relation between me and other people, a relation that I cannot understand any more than you, is transmitted by paper."

"When I touch a piece of paper like that, I can tell whether the person who touched it before me was in good or bad humour, I feel what he has been doing and what he is going to do next."

"Don't ask me who gave me my power. I don't know."

## WEATHER REPORT.

March 16th, 12th. 05m. Pressure has decreased considerably at Shanghai, moderately at Foochow and slightly from Hongkong to Tientsin and over Luzon.

The anticyclone over China has broken up and has been replaced by depressions over the Yangtze Valley and Tientsin.

The monsoon will be interrupted along the coast of China and over the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.70 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.97 inches against an average of 4.15 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on March 17, 1923.

1.—Formosa Channel, S.E. or variable winds, moderate; overcast, rainy, foggy.

2.—South coast of China, overcast, foggy, foggy.

3.—Hongkong to Gas Rock, S.E. or variable winds, moderate; overcast, rainy, foggy.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, S.E. or variable winds, moderate; overcast, rainy, foggy.

5.—South coast of China between Hainan and Luzon, S.E. or variable winds, moderate; overcast, rainy, foggy.

6.—South coast of China between Luzon and Taiwan, S.E. or variable winds, moderate; overcast, rainy, foggy.

7.—South coast of China between Taiwan and Japan, S.E. or variable winds, moderate; overcast, rainy, foggy.

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Mrs. Paul Murdock Eaton, Mrs.

Recently won \$50,000 in one evening's baccarat play in Nice. Then she pocketed her winnings and left the Casino, declaring she never intended to return.



General Lamport. General Degoutte and aides, Mrs.

French troops occupying Essen, home of the great Krupp Works. The Fourth Cavalry Division, under General Lamport, was the first unit to push into the city. General Degoutte, commanding the French troops in Germany, is shown with his staff, in Essen, discussing the disposition of forces and guns.



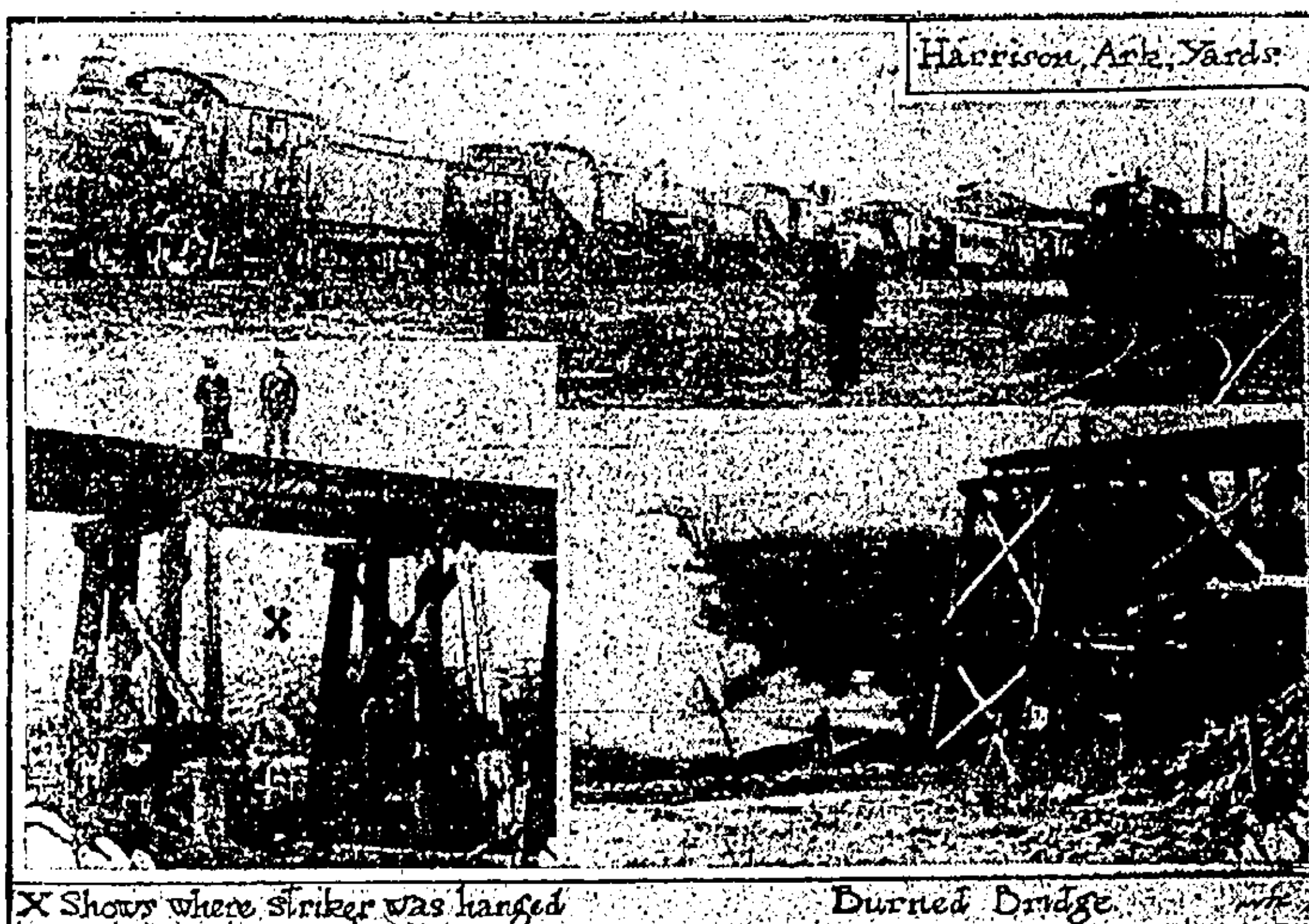
Maggie Clive, Mrs.

Once the idol of the variety stage. Her famous "Throw Him Down, McCloskey!" and "Down West McGinty to the Bottom of the Sea" are well-known. She is now seriously ill.



Rev. &amp; Mrs. H. R. L. Sheppard, Mrs.

Rev. H. R. L. Sheppard, with his wife, has arrived in America for a tour. He is the Vicar of "St. Martin's in the Field," of Trafalgar Square, London. His church, during the thirteenth century, was located in the fields outside the walled city of London, hence its name. His father was Chaplain to the former Queen Victoria. "St. Martin's in the Field" is called "the poor man's place of worship," being open all day and all night. There are no fees.



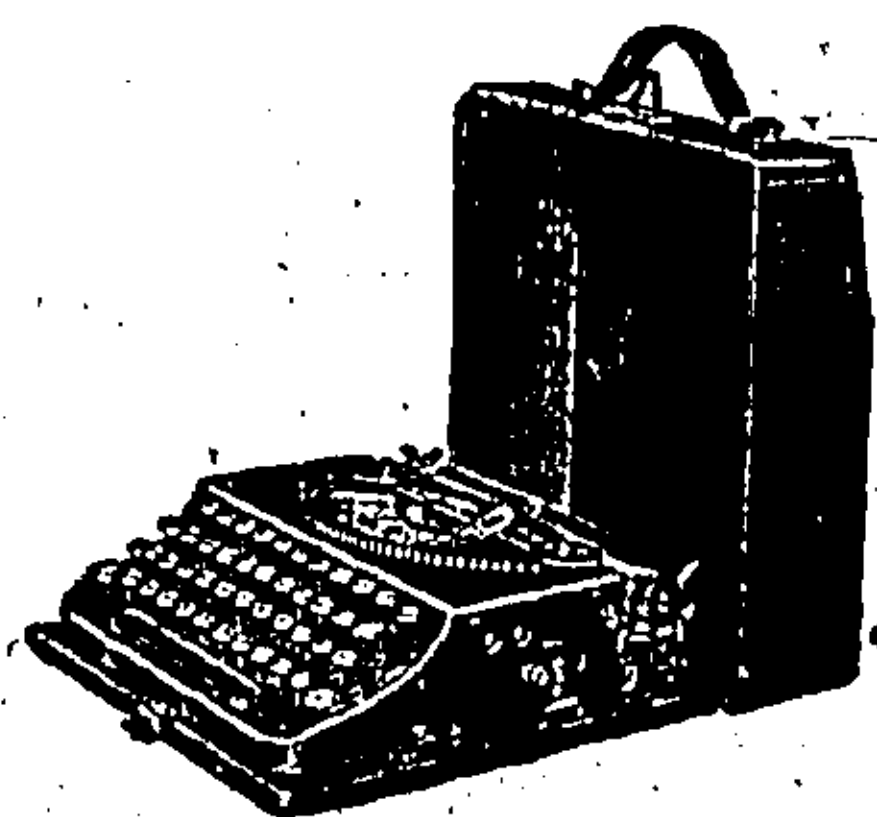
Harrison, Ark. yards. X Shows where striker was hanged. Burned Bridge.

Owing to the destruction of railroad property by railway strikers, the M. & N. A. Railroad threatened to suspend its service in a section of Arkansas. Armed citizens then drove the strikers away, where it had a monopoly, lynching one man when he fired at them. The cross indicates the place where he was hanged. One of the bridges alleged to have been burned by the strikers is shown. Armed guards are shown on duty in the railroad yards.



Latest in shopping, Mrs.

A travelling bag with a slip bottom. The bag is placed over an article on the counter. The article is then pulled through into the bag.



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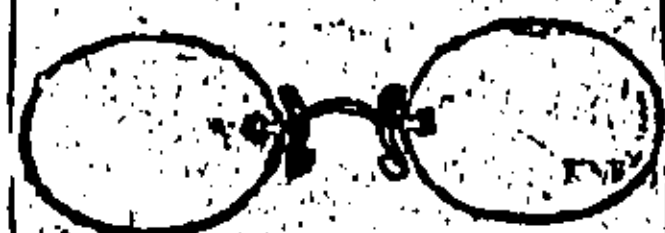
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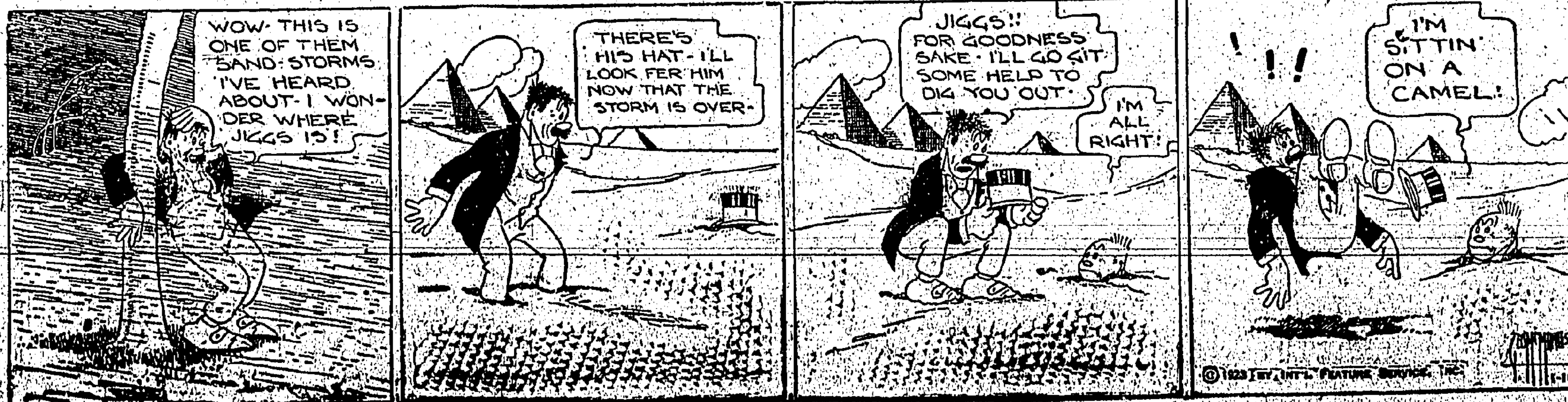
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or shorter periods at rates which will  
be quoted on application.

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 quoted on application.  
 J. I. CROCKETT,  
 Manager.  
 Hongkong, February 22, 1921.

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**BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE**  
 HEAD OFFICE:  
 90, Boulevard Haussmann, Paris.  
 SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL . . . Frs. 72,000,000 CC  
 PAID UP CAPITAL . . . Frs. 68,000,000 CC  
 RESERVE FUNDS . . . Frs. 80,867,283.04  
 BRANCHES:

|         |           |           |
|---------|-----------|-----------|
| Hankow  | Hongkong  | Saigon    |
| Harbin  | Kobe      | Shanghai  |
| Hatienh | Longtse   | Singapore |
| Hibon   | Manila    | Sourabaya |
| Hiphong | Papeete   | Tientsin  |
| Hankow  | Peking    | Tourane   |
| Harbin  | Pon-Pon   | Yunnan    |
|         | Yamaguchi |           |

**BANKERS:**

**IN FRANCE:** Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Crédit Lyonnais; Société Générale; Crédit Industriel et Commercial; Société Générale.

**LONDON:** The National Provincial and County Bank of England Ltd. Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Crédit Lyonnais.

**IN NEW YORK:** J. P. Morgan & Co., French American Banking Corporation, Guaranty Trust Co. of New York.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Deposits according to management.

Every description of banking and exchange business transacted.

**V. MAROT**

Hongkong, Nov. 1, 1920.

Acting Manager.

**BANK OF CANTON  
LIMITED**

**HEAD OFFICE  
HONGKONG.**

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and  
General Banking Business transacted.  
**CURRENT ACCOUNTS.**  
2% per annum on the daily credit  
balances of over \$100.00.

**INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS.**  
For 3 Months 3% per annum.  
For 6 Months 4% per annum.  
For 12 Months 5% per annum.

On demand 2% per annum.  
LOOK POONG SHAN,  
Chief Manager.

THE CHINESE MERCHANTS  
BANK, LTD.

**HEAD OFFICE:**  
Alexandra Buildings, Chater, Hong Kong.

General Banking and Exchange business transacted.  
Loans granted on approved securities.  
Current Accounts opened and Fixed Deposits received at rates which may be ascertained on application.  
The Bank also conducts a Savings Department.

**R. C. LAU,**  
Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, Aug. 17, 1930.

**THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LTD.**

ESTABLISHED 1857.

CAPITAL (fully paid up) — Yen 100,000,000  
RESERVE FUND — — — Yen 84,000,000

**HEAD OFFICE: YOKOHAMA**

**BRANCHES AND AGENTS IN**

|                        |                |
|------------------------|----------------|
| AMSTERDAM              | NEWCASTLE      |
| BARCELONA              | NEW YORK       |
| BOMBAY                 | OSAKA          |
| HONGKONG               | PARIS          |
| MANILA                 | RAKOWSKO       |
| SHANGHAI (DAIKU)       | RIO DE JANEIRO |
| SINGAPORE (MITSUBISHI) | SALONICA       |
| YOKOHAMA               | SAN FRANCISCO  |
|                        | SEATTLE        |
|                        | SHANGHAI       |
|                        | SINGAPORE      |

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|-------------|-----------|
| AT NEW      | SINGAPORE |
| LOS         | SOMMABATA |
| OSBON       | SYDNEY    |
| LOS ANGELES | TIENTSIN  |
| TOKYO       | TOKYO     |
| MADRID      | YOKOHAMA  |
| BARCELONA   | KYNGSTON  |
| BOGOTA      | VALDIVIA  |

Interest allowed on Current Accounts.

Deposits required for fixed periods as rates  
 be obtained on application.  
**T. NISHIYAMA,**  
 Manager.  
 Hongkong, September 11, 1922.

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